Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Frances Katherine Weber was born on July 1, 1909, to John and Mary Weber at Dimock, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love, as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Frances married Theodore Dagen on August 27, 1929, and to this union 8 children were born: Melvin, Ielene, Arnold, Gerald, Theodore, Leroy, Charles, and Charlotte, who in turn presented them with 21 grandchildren, 51 great-grandchildren, and 20 great-great grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Frances supported Theodore and their farming operation with her homemaking and gardening skills; and,

Whereas, Frances now lives at Mitchell, South Dakota, and will observe her 100th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her friends and relatives gather on July 4, 2009, to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 1, 2009, as

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in South Dakota, and I join all her many friends and relatives in wishing her a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fourth Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State